



**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT**

Please substitute the Abstract as shown below in mar-up form:

--A hydrophilic stiff main chain type liquid crystal comprising a water-soluble salt of a synthetic ~~spiral~~-helical polymer having no asymmetric carbon atom as a main component of the main chain thereof, for example, a polyacetylene derivative having such constitution; and a chiral sensor utilizing a liquid crystal comprising a water-soluble salt of the above synthetic ~~spiral~~-helical polymer, in particular, a water-soluble salt of the above synthetic ~~spiral~~-helical polymer having no asymmetric carbon atom.--